



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 3654 PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 18, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Although no prior art rejections have been made, the Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 1-9, 11, 15 and 16 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Fuji Photo Film Co., Ltd.'s co-pending Application Nos. 10/465,610, 10/465,627 and 10/667,365.

To overcome the provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection, and as the path of least resistance, Applicant submits herewith a suitable Terminal Disclaimer. The filing of a